

Longstreet House
Holmdel Township
Monmouth County, New Jersey

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Owner: Fred J. and wife Helen M. Noble, 1938

Dates of Erection: Circa 1775 and 1840

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Aaron Longstreet and John S. Longstreet

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories: One and one-half and two

Materials of Construction: Foundation - local sand-
stone masonry

Exterior walls - timber
frame, shingled in
original unit; brick in
second unit

Interior walls - brick
party wall and lath and
plaster on studding
partitions

Chimneys - brick built
inside of gable end
walls

Roof - gable wood
shingled, and leanto
tin covered

Historical Data:

It would appear that title to this property
goes back to Hendrick Hendrickson who emigrated from

Holland about 1728, and bought over 1000 acres of land two miles northeast of Holmdel Village, Monmouth County, 500 acres of which later became the farm property of Mary A. Longstreet.

Aaron Longstreet was the great grandson of the Dirk Stoffelse Langstraat who emigrated to New Netherland in 1657. Aaron married March 9th, 1778, Williampe Hendrickson. Hendrick Longstreet, the eldest son of this union born May 14, 1785, died Feb. 26th, 1860, married Oct. 11, 1805 Mary Holmes, daughter of Joseph and Nellie Holmes, and their daughter, Mary Ann became the owner of the 500 acres first above alluded to upon their death.

The second son of this Aaron Longstreet and Williampe Hendrickson was named John. He married Elizabeth Stoutenburgh and appears to have become the owner of another portion of his father's property. Title to that passed by deed to his son John S. Longstreet, born Dec. 5, 1815, died Dec. 1st, 1884, who married Oct. 19, 1843 Elinor Hendrickson, daughter of Garret G. and Jane Hendrickson of Marlboro, New Jersey. She died Feb. 28, 1844 and he married again June 28, 1849 Sara S. Hendrickson.

The particular tract in which we are interested is mentioned in a deed dated April 2nd, 1906 from John T. Wyckoff and Charles A. Wyckoff, executors, etc., to George T. Jones, as being the north part of No. 1 of a map of the homestead far, of John Longstreet, deceased, made and surveyed by Alfred Walling Oct. 12, 1858. Surviving members of the family state that Aaron Longstreet, a brother of John S. (1815-1884) subsequently became the owner of the property and house in question.

Title passed from Aaron to his sister Elizabeth who married Thomas Ely. A deed executed by Thomas C. Ely and wife, Mary Jane Stillwell, another sister of John S. (1815-1884), dated April 1st, 1876 conveys this property to William H. Wyckoff who by will proved in 1904 authorized the sale of the property by his executors, John T. Wyckoff and Charles A. Wyckoff.

The aforesaid executors conveyed the property to George T. Jones by deed dated April 2nd, 1906. His widow, Matilda C. Jones conveyed the property by deed dated March 1st, 1928 to Fred J. Noble and Helen M. Noble, his wife, the present owners.

Obviously the house was built in two sections. The earlier section is a typical example of pre-Revolutionary frame construction in this section of the State and is a story and a half high with a lean-to annex at one end, but without cellar. At a later date probably upon the marriage of John S. Longstreet to Elinor Hendrickson in 1843, a two story and attic brick extension was added. Both the older and newer portions contain evidences of careful workmanship and competent designing of wood-work, moldings, mantels, etc.

Bibliography:

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Statements by members of the Longstreet family

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